Mr. P. Raman Tampi B. A., M. L. (Trivandrum) and Mr. K. Appathura Iyer B. A., B. L. (Nedumangad) mentioned that the subject was brought forward last year and requested early orders as prayed for.

Reply.—Pleaders and judges no doubt experience some difficulty in this respect, but at the same time it is not an easy matter to decide. There are many difficulties in entering the survey numbers of properties in tax receipts. The ryot in many cases does not know the survey number of the land for which the tax is paid and it is quite possible that the property may be wrongly described or a fraud may be committed. Further, the entire lands in a pattah being liable for the tax, no support can be given to the notion that any numbers have been released from liability by their insertion in the tax-receipt. The matter will however be considered and final orders passed.

31. Preservation and maintenance of ayacut, survey and settlement records.

Mr. A. Sri Narayanan Tampi (Vilavankod) said that in view of the information contained in the Dewan's address he had nothing to say on the subject.

Mr. K. Padmanabhan Tampi (Taluk Association, Kalkulam) and Mr. P. Raman Tampi B. A., M. L., (Trivandrum) agreed with Mr. Sri Narayanan Tampi.

Reply.—This subject is engaging the attention of Government. The report of the Committee appointed for the purpose has been received and this has been referred for the opinion of the officers concerned. Their views will be considered and orders passed.

32. Delay in the completion of the resurvey of the cardamom gardens and in the issue of maps for gardens surveyed 12 months ago.

Mr. H. M. Knight (Cardamom Planters' Association) said that the present re-survey of the cardamom gardens was the outcome of the representation of more than 300 ryots made to the late Dewan Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao C. I. E. at the Conference held by him at Cumbum on the 30th March 1905. As a matter of fact many ryots held shorter areas of lands than those for which tax was realized from them, while a few fortunate land-owners enjoyed more than they paid

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